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SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT CLEARANCE FOR LEAHY VETTING REQUEST - JUSMAG'S
VECTOR BALANCE PISTON 09-1

REF: MANILA 2393

[1](#)1. (SBU) The Department of State reviewed its files and found that, as of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights for the units and commanders identified below. These units and commanders are candidates for participation in the JUSMAG's Vector Balance Piston 09-1.

[1](#)2. (U) Units and Commanders:

Unit: Rapid Deployment Battalion, Philippine National Police Special Action Force
Commander: MAJ Hermogenes D. Cabe; DOB: December 15, 1969; POB: Davao City, Philippines

Unit: Rapid Deployment Group, Philippine National Police Special Action Force
Commander: CPT Abraham D. Abayari; DOB: August 15, 1976; POB: Baguio City, Philippines

[1](#)3. (U) Post may provide the following statement to authorized parties: Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the units and commanders identified in paragraph 2 above, as of this date. Post may cite this cable in response.

[1](#)4. (U) If, in the future, post becomes aware of possible human rights violations by the units and commanders listed above, post should inform the Department and not proceed with training.

[1](#)5. (U) JUSMAG's Vector Balance Piston 09-1 starts March 2 and ends March 19, 2009 in the Philippines.

[1](#)6. (U) POC for this action is Jameson DeBose:
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